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SUBJECT: KIEV AND NEW YORK CONSULAR DISTRICTS

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1. DEPARTMENT HAS RECEIVED FROM SOVIET EMBASSY FOLLOWING
NOTE DATED JULY 13:
2. QUOTE THE EMBASSY OF THE UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST
REPUBLICS REFERS TO THE NEGOTIATIONS HELD BETWEEN THE
SOVIET AND AMERICAN SIDES ON THE QUESTION OF THE DETERMINA-
TION OF THE CONSULAR DISTRICTS OF THE USSR AND US CONSULATES
GENERAL BEING ESTABLISHED IN NEW YORK AND KIEV, RESPECTIVELY
AND INFORMS THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE OF THE UNITED STATES OF
AMERICA OF THE FOLLOWING.
3. QUOTE THE SOVIET UNION IS PREPARED TO ACCEPT THE U.S.
CONSULAR DISTRICT, WITH ITS CENTER IN KIEV, WHICH WOULD
ENCOMPASS THE UKRAINIAN SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLIC, ON CON-
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DITION THAT THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA ACCEPTS THE USSR
CONSULAR DISTRICT, WITH ITS CENTER IN NEW YORK, WHICH WOULD
INCLUDE THE STATES OF NEW YORK, NEW JERSEY, PENNSYLVANIA,
OHIO, CONNECTICUT, MASSACHUSETTS, MAINE, VERMONT, NEW
HAMPSHIRE AND RHODE ISLAND.

4. QUOTE RECEIPT BY THE EMBASSY OF A NOTE FROM THE DEPART-

MENT OF STATE CONFIRMING THE ACCEPTABILITY OF THE ABOVE TO THE AMERICAN SIDE WOULD SIGNIFY THE REACHING OF AN AGREEMENT ON THE QUESTION OF THE CONSULAR DISTRICTS.

5. QUOTE THE EMBASSY CONFIRMS THE UNDERSTANDING EXISTING BETWEEN THE SOVIET AND AMERICAN SIDES THAT THE OPENING OF THE USSR CONSULATE GENERAL IN NEW YORK AND THE US CONGEN IN KIEV WILL TAKE PLACE SIMULTANEOUSLY AND THAT THE DATE OF THEIR OPENING WILL BE DETERMINED BY MEANS OF AN EXCHANGE OF NOTES. UNQUOTE

6. SOVIETS ARE AWARE FROM PREVIOUS CONVERSATIONS (REFTEL), THAT IF WE ARE NOT ALLOWED TO INCLUDE MOLDAVIA IN KIEV CONSULAR DISTRICT, OUR PROPOSAL WOULD BE AS FOLLOWS:

A. KIEV CONSULAR DISTRICT -- UKRAINIAN SSR.

B. NEW YORK CONSULAR DISTRICT -- MAINE, VERMONT, NEW HAMPSHIRE, CONNECTICUT, NEW YORK, NEW JERSEY, PENNSYLVANIA, RHODE ISLAND.

7. RECALCULATION OF FIGURES ON OUR PROPOSED DISTRICTS IS AS FOLLOWS:

A. KIEV DISTRICT -- POPULATION 47 MILLION; (18.9 PERCENT);
AREA 232,046 SQUARE MILES (2.6 PERCENT)
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B. NEW YORK DISTRICT - POPULATION 43 MILLION; (21 PERCENT);
AREA 155,444 SQUARE MILES (4.2 PERCENT)

9. DESPITE INDICATIONS THAT INCLUSION OF MOLDAVIA NOT ACCEPTABLE TO SOVIETS, WE BELIEVE EMBASSY SHOULD MAKE ONE MORE TRY AT MFA. IF NEGATIVE REPLY GIVEN, WE SUGGEST ANSWERING SOVIET NOTE WITH OUR COUNTER-PROPOSAL. APPRECIATE EMBASSY COMMENTS. VANCE

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